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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, UNRWA

SUBJECT: UNRWA ADVISORY COMMISSION MEETING IN AMMAN

REF: AMMAN 4625

1. EMBASSY IS CORRECT IN ASSUMING IT SHOULD OPPOSE ANY MOVE TO ADMIT PLO AS OBSERVERS OR PARTICIPANTS AT ADCOM MEETINGS. PRELIMINARY READING BY UNRWA STAFF RE LEGAL ASPECTS APPEARS CONSISTENT WITH UNRWA POSITION TAKEN IN MARCH 1975 WHEN POSSIBILITY OF PLO PARTICIPATION AROSE BUT DID NOT ULTIMATELY OCCUR.

2. IF POSSIBILITY OF PLO PARTICIPATION IN UNRWA ADCOM MEETING ARISES, EMBASSY SHOULD CONTACT COMGEN RENNIE AND ADVISE HIM OF OUR CONTINUED OPPOSITION, SEEKING HIS COOPERATION IN AVERTING PRECEDENT THAT COULD HAVE DAMAGING  
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CONSEQUENCES FOR CONTINUED US SUPPORT FOR UNRWA. (RENNIE

IS VERY MUCH AWARE OF PROBLEM, AND HAS HANDLED IT DEFTLY IN THE PAST.)

3. IF PLO SEEMS LIKELY TO PRESS ISSUE, EMBASSY SHOULD INFORM APPROPRIATE NON-ARAB MEMBERS OF US OPPOSITION TO PLO PARTICIPATION AND REQUEST THEIR SUPPORT. YOU SHOULD CONSULT PARTICULARLY CLOSELY WITH UK. BRITISH EMBASSY HERE TELLS US INSTRUCTIONS HAVE BEEN SENT TO AMMAN TO INFORM RENNIE THAT UK REPRESENTATIVE COULD NOT AGREE TO PLO OBSERVER STATUS WITHOUT FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS -- AFTER WHICH HMG WOULD PLAN TO CONSULT CLOSELY WITH USG (AND EC-9) ON FURTHER STEPS.

4. POSSIBILITY OF PLO PARTICIPATION IN ADCOM MEETING AROSE BUT DID NOT MATERIALIZE AT MARCH 1975 MEETING IN LEBANON. AT THAT TIME COMGEN RENNIE AND HIS STAFF TOOK POSITION ON LEGAL ASPECTS OF THE PROBLEM THAT: A) ONLY UNGA, NOT ADCOM, MAY GRANT MEMBERSHIP IN ADCOM B) PLO HAS NO A PRIORI RIGHT TO ANY FORM OF INCLUSION IN ADCOM PROCEEDINGS; BUT C) ADCOM DOES HAVE AUTHORITY TO INVITE PLO TO PARTICIPATE IN ADCOM PROCEEDINGS. NEVERTHELESS, UNRWA DID NOT CLEARLY DEFINE WHAT APPROPRIATE FORM OR DURATION OF SUCH PARTICIPATION MIGHT BE.

5. PLEASE REPORT BY IMMEDIATE CABLE ANY PLO EFFORT TO ATTEND ADCOM MEETING.

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